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- 1. AS PART OF CONTINUING EFFORT TO SUPPORT NATO PUBLIC INFORMATION OBJECTIVES AND STRENGTHEN PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN U.S. DEFENSE COMMITMENTS, EMBASSY/USIS--IN COOPERATION WITH CHOD NORWAY AND USIS/USNATO--WOULD LIKE TO ORGANIZE VISIT BY SIX LEADING NORWEGIAN MILITARY AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS EDITORS TO SHIPS PARTICIPATING IN THIS YEAR'S OCEAN SAFARI EXERCISE IN MID-NOVEMBER.
- 2. WE REQUEST VISIT PROGRAM ALONG FOLLOWING LINES:

A. FIRST DAY--FLY COMMERCIAL AIR TO EITHER TRONDHEIM OR BODO, CONFIDENTIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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DEPENDING ON BEST POINT FOR PICKUP BY COD.

B. SECOND DAY--VISIT NATO AIR UNITS INVOLVED IN EXERCISE AT EITHER ORLAND OR BODO IN EARLY A.M. FOR BRIEFINGS, INCLUDING GENERAL INTRODUCTORY BRIEFING ON AIMS AND SCOPE OF ENTIRE EXERCIS. PROCEED BY COD TO USS INDEPENDENCE. BRIEFING BY HIGH-RANKING OFFICER ABOARD. VIEW FLIGHT OPS. HELO LIFT TO USS ALBANY FOR BRIEFINGS, MEETING WITH SECOND FLEET COMMANDER, BRIEF TOUR OF SHIP. RETURN BY HELO TO USS INDEPENDENCE. VIEW FLIGHT OPS, TOUR SHIP. RON.

C. THIRD DAY--VIEW MORNING FLIGHT OPS, POSSIBLY VISIT VIA HELO TO HMS HERMES. LATE MORNING DEPARTURE VIA COD TO EITHER BODO OR ORLAND. RETURN TO HOME TOWNS BY COMMERCIAL AIR.

- 3. COST OF ALL COMMERCIAL FLIGHTS, OTHER NON-MILITARY TRANSPORT, PER DIEM WOULD BE COVERED BY USIS OSLO WITH USIS/USNATO COOPERATION.
- 4. PARTICIPANTS WOULD BE CAREFULLY SELECTED FROM LEADING MEDIA IN OSLO, BERGEN, TRONDHEIM AND NORTH NORWAY. GROUP WOULD BE ESCORTED BY EMBASSY PRESS ATTACHE.
- 5. ADVISE SOONEST IF AND WHEN THIS VISIT CAN BE ACCOMMODATED AND WHETHER COD DEPARTURE WOULD BE FROM ORLAND OR BODO.
- $6.\ THIS\ MSG$ COORDINATED WITH CHOD NORWAY/PID AND CINCNORTH/PID. BYRNE

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